

Claim Amendments

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim ~~[2]~~ 1, wherein at least a portion of said closure is stretchable fabric.
4. (Original) The cover of claim 3, wherein said foot portion includes an inner surface which resists adherence to adhesive.
5. (Original) The cover of claim 4, wherein said foot portion includes an outer layer and an inner layer which resists adherence to adhesive.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Currently amended) ~~[The cover of claim 6, further]~~ A hockey stick blade cover comprising:
flexible side panels forming a foot portion and an ankle portion, said side panels each having edges extending along said ankle portion, a bottom of said foot portion, a toe and a top of said foot portion and,
means for securing said edges together comprising a flexible band extending from said ~~[free]~~ edges along said top, around said toe and said bottom to and including said ankle portion, said panels being affixed to said band.
8. (Original) The cover of claim 7, wherein said band is stretchable.
9. (Original) The cover of claim 7, wherein each of said side panels includes a toe reinforcement panel of non-stretch fabric.
10. (Currently amended) The cover of claim ~~[1]~~ 1, wherein at least one of said side panels includes means to provide ventilation to a blade enclosed by said cover.

11. (Original) The cover of claim 10, wherein each of said side panels comprises at least one fabric layer and one rubber layer adhesively adhered to said fabric layer.

12. (Original) The cover of claim 11, wherein at least one of said side panels includes a perforated ventilating portion.

13. (Original) The cover of claim 12, wherein each of said side panels includes a perforated ventilating portion proximate said toe.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) The cover of claim ~~11~~ 7, wherein said ~~attachment means comprises~~ flexible band includes a zipper.

16. (Currently amended) The cover of claim 15, wherein said ~~attachment means comprises a~~ zipper is located in an instep portion of said cover and extends from said ankle portion along a portion of said top of said foot portion.

17. (Original) The cover of claim 15, wherein each of said side panels comprises two fabric layers adhesively adhered to opposite sides of a rubber layer.

18. (Original) The cover of claim 17, wherein at least one of said side panels includes a perforated ventilating portion.

19. (Original) The cover of claim 17, wherein at least one of said side panels is assembled from more than one piece.

20. (Original) The cover of claim 19, wherein said fabric layers resist adherence of adhesive thereto.